

Who is Eligible?

1. Montgomery - Active Duty (Chapter 30)

Honorably discharged veterans who entered active duty after 07/01/85 and participated in the pay reduction program. Also, certain individuals having Vietnam Era GI Bill® eligibility who meets certain eligibility criteria may be eligible for the Chapter 30 program after 12/31/89.

2. Montgomery - Selected Reserves (Chapter 1606)

Reservists or National Guard Members, who enlisted, re-enlisted or extended an enlistment in the Selected Reserve or National Guard for a period of 6 years after 10/01/90.

3. Dependents Education Assistance Program (Chapter 35)

A child or spouse of a veteran who died of a service-connected disability or has a total disability permanent in nature as a result from a service-connected disability.

4. Veterans Education Assistance Program (Chapter 32)

Those entering active duty between 01/01/77 and 06/30/85 and contributed toward the VEAP benefit. Check with VA Office.

5. Post-9/11 (Chapter 33)

Honorably discharged veteran who served at least 90 aggregate days or 30 days and discharged with a service-connected disability after 09/10/01. Effective 10/01/11.

ALL COMPLETED APPLICATION FORMS ARE TO BE MAILED TO:

Department of Veterans Affairs
9700 Page Avenue
Suite 101-Education
St. Louis, MO 63132-1502

NOTE: YOU MAY FAX YOUR MONTHLY CERTIFICATION OF HOURS WORKED TO FISCAL ACCOUNTS AT (314) 253-4140

Contact Information

WHO TO CONTACT FOR ASSISTANCE

If you have questions concerning your eligibility, you may contact your local Veterans Service Representative Office or call the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs St. Louis RPO toll free number:

Call at 1-888-442-4551 or
Email at <http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/>

If you have questions concerning the eligibility of a specific apprenticeship or on-the-job training program, or to request application forms please contact:

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Please visit the KCVAO website www.kcva.ks.gov for updates on education and other benefits. Please use our comment form to ask questions about benefits and services.



Have you considered using your G.I. Bill® Benefits for On-the-Job Training or Apprenticeship Training?



Veterans

Eligible Dependents

National Guard

Reservists

You may be eligible to receive a monthly benefit check from the US Department of Veterans Affairs

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Apprenticeship and On-the-Job Training

BACKGROUND

Various Public Laws provide for the payment of a monthly training allowance by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) for eligible persons pursuing a full-time on-the-job or apprenticeship program that is approved in Kansas by the Kansas State Approving Agency.

WHAT IS APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING

Apprenticeship training is on-the-job training coupled with theoretical related instruction. You receive your VA benefits while working full time and earning wages. Apprenticeship programs are normally for two years to five years in length. Although program registration with the Department of Labor - Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training (BAT) and Kansas State Apprenticeship Council is not mandatory for veteran's benefits, it is recommended in order to receive journey worker's papers upon successful completion. Some examples of approved apprenticeship programs are carpenter, electrician, plumber, sheet metal worker, fire-medical, machinist, and roofer.

WHAT IS ON-THE-JOB TRAINING

On-The-Job Training (OJT) is training you receive while actually performing a job and earning wages, as well as receiving VA benefits. OJT programs are normally from six months up to two years in length. Some examples of approvable OJT programs are welder, painter, cook, press operator, auto mechanic, and locksmith.

NOTE: THESE ARE NOT INCLUSIVE LISTINGS. THERE ARE CURRENTLY OVER 900 TRADE AREAS THAT CAN BE APPROVED.

What are the Benefits?

The rates payable effective 10/01/18 are illustrated below:

If you are eligible under Chapter 30 (entered active duty after 07/01/85 and contributed to the Montgomery GI Bill®), your monthly allowance should be:

For those veterans whose initial obligated period of active duty was **three or more years**.

First 6 months	\$1,495.00
Second 6 months	\$1,096.70
Remainder of program	\$697.90

For those veterans whose initial obligated period of active duty was **less than three years**.

First 6 months	\$1,214.25
Second 6 months	\$890.45
Remaining training	\$566.65

If you are eligible under the Montgomery GI Bill® - Selected Reserves (Chapter 1606), your monthly allowance will be:

First 6 months	\$288.00
Second 6 months	\$211.20
Remainder of program	\$134.40

If you are eligible under Chapter 35 (surviving spouse or child), your monthly allowance will be: (10/01/2017)

First 6 months	\$760.00
Second 6 months	\$571.00
Third 6 months	\$375.00
Remaining pursuit	\$191.00

If you were eligible under Chapter 34 (entered active duty between 02/01/55 and 12/31/76), you may be eligible to receive benefits under the Chapter 30 program. Contact the VA Regional Office in St. Louis for more specific information.

The rates payable effective 10/01/18 are illustrated below:

If you are eligible under Chapter 33 (Honorably discharged veteran who served at least 90 aggregate days or 30 days and discharged with a service-connected disability after 09/10/01), your monthly allowance should be:

- OJT / APP pay based on the housing rate of the employer's zip code multiplied by your benefit rating [applicable monthly housing allowance(E-5 with dependents)].
- 100% of the BAH rate for the first 6 months, 80% the next 6 months, 60% the next, 40% the next, then 20% thereafter.
- Benefit payments are prorated by the hours per month as well as start dates and end dates of the program.

City	<u>100%</u>	<u>80%</u>	<u>60%</u>	<u>40%</u>	<u>20%</u>
Dodge City	\$1182.00	\$945.60	\$709.20	\$472.80	\$236.40
Kansas City	\$1443.00	\$1154.40	\$865.80	\$577.20	\$288.60
Salina	\$1233.00	\$986.40	\$739.80	\$489.20	\$244.60

Example at 100% eligibility rate:

City	<u>100%</u>	<u>80%</u>	<u>60%</u>	<u>40%</u>	<u>20%</u>
Dodge City	\$709.20	\$567.36	\$425.52	\$283.68	\$141.84
Kansas City	\$865.80	\$692.64	\$519.48	\$346.32	\$173.16
Salina	\$739.80	\$591.84	\$443.88	\$295.92	\$147.96

Example at 60% eligibility rate:

Timeframe for training programs is:

Minimum six (6) months up to two (2) years for on the job training. OJT may have related training hours but it is not required.

Minimum two (2) years for apprenticeship training with a minimum of 144 related training hours per year.

You may also be eligible for an equipment allowance of up to \$83/month for apprenticeship programs.